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*The Catholic Encyclopaedia*. Vol. VIII. Pp. xv, 800. Price, \$6.00. New York: Robert Appleton Company, 1910.

The new volumes of this important reference work upon all subjects pertaining to Catholicism are appearing with gratifying regularity. The eighth, dealing with topics from Infamy to Lapparent inclusive, maintains the high standard of the earlier ones referred to in these reviews, *THE ANNALS*, Vol. XXXV, Pp. 738-740. Among the articles of especial historical interest in the present one may be mentioned the biographies of the various popes named Innocent, the discussions under Inquisition, Investiture and *Kulturkampf*, and the articles dealing with Ireland, Italy and Japan, in which the civilization and religious conditions receive full treatment. The statistics given in connection with these latter articles are of much interest and value, especially those giving the distribution of the Irish in various lands and the numbers and condition of the Italians in America. The subjects of Interest, Labour and Land Tenure are of value to the economist, though the treatment of the first of these is brief and unsatisfactory so far as it relates to the Church's prohibition of all exaction of interest on loans during the Middle Ages and even in later times. We are, however, promised a fuller treatment of this in a future volume, under Usury. To many, the articles on various books of the Bible will appeal as showing the attitude of Catholic scholars on matters of higher criticism. As an illustration of the candor with which some of these articles have been prepared may be cited the one on I and II Kings, where the author, though rejecting the views of those critics who deny the complete historicity of these books, yet states his adversaries' conclusions so fairly that the thoughtful reader is as likely to agree with the critics as to accept the refutation of their views given in the article.

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**Coman, Katharine.** *The Industrial History of the United States*. Pp. xvii, 461. Price, \$1.60. New York: Macmillan Company, 1910.

This is a new and revised edition of a work first issued in 1905. Besides considerable remodeling of the first edition by the omission, transfer, and addition of paragraphs and sections, the present edition has been augmented by the expansion of one of the former chapters into two, and, to quote the author, "a final chapter on the conservation of our national resources has been added to this edition in the hope of making evident the transcendent importance of the interests involved." For the assistance of teachers, suggestions for supplementary reading and for class discussion are given in an appendix.

The revision of this text will undoubtedly add to its popularity and value. The tendency in modern thought to separate "agriculture" from "industry" has been wisely neglected by the author, and while one would naturally not expect to find the former considered in a volume with the present title, it is a pleasure to find that agriculture is not only given a place in "industry," but its history and importance to economic life are